

MAYOR JERRY SANDERS

Science and Technology Commission's

Public WiFi Working Group MEETING MINUTES

The Public WiFi Working Group (PWWG) held a meeting on Friday, July 7, 2006, hosted by the City Planning and Community Investment Department located at 600 B Street, San Diego, CA 92101.

- I. CALL TO ORDER: Mr. Kristopher Lichter called the meeting to order at 8:30 A.M.

 <u>Subcommittee Members Present</u>: Martha Dennis, Kristopher Lichter, and Tyler Orion. City Staff: Matt
 McGarvey, Chief Information Officer; Steve Lastomirsky, Deputy City Attorney; Karen Lynch-Ashcraft,
 Development Services Department, Toni Dillon, Economic Development Division; Tina Hines,
 Economic Development Division. <u>Members of Public</u>: Bill Griswold, UCSD; Drew MacCullough, Socal
 Freenet; Bobby Jacqmin, Net Logix, Eric Daversa, Net Logix.
- II. PUBLIC COMMENT: There was no public comment.
- III. APPROVAL MINUTES FOR: June 6, 2006 (MOTION/SECOND/Orion/Dennis/UNANIMOUS)
- IV. PUBLIC WIFI AND BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES OF OTHER CITIES
 - A. <u>Discussion of the City of Philadelphia Business Plan</u>: After discussing the Philadelphia Business Plan the PWWG propose to review the following issues: 1) E-Government access; 2) management of vendors; 3)security; 4) legal issues; 5) digital inclusion; 6) public involvement; 7) political perception; 8) leadership; 9) ROI/business plan/funding; 10) privacy; 11) LAN/WAN; 12) oversight body structure; 13) equipment availability/accessibility; 14) feasibility/topography.
 - B. Review of San Francisco and Tempe WiFi Efforts: After the review of the San Francisco and Tempe WiFi efforts, the PWWG agreed that it would be more suitable to study Philadelphia's model. It was agreed that the most successful ventures in San Diego have been generated and supported by the business community and civic leaders. Prior to involving business and civic leaders, it was suggest that PWWG further define the over arching purposes of public WiFi; specifically, the economic development implications for low income under served communities, government, tourism, workforce and student populations.

As the discussion continued, it was suggested that the PWWG meet with City policy makers to access their interest in public WiFi access. It was agreed that Mr. Lichter would prepare an executive summary for distribution to policy makers. This executive summary would be sent to the Chief of Staff of the Mayor's Office, Council President Scott Peters and all Council offices with a request for meetings.

- V. FUTURE AGENDA TOPICS: The PWWG will discuss future agenda topics and schedule additional meetings at the August 7th meeting.
- VII. ADJOURNMENT: It was moved that the Public WiFi Working Group meeting should adjourn at 10:05 A.M. (MOTION/SECOND/Orion/Dennis/UNANIMOUS)

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